

The changes sought by the Amendment herein are substantially formal in nature but are required, as to claims 46 and 47, in order to ensure the correctness of the patent to be issued and, as to claim 50, to insure that the patent to be issued adequately embraces the full scope of applicant's invention.

The use of the term "process" in claims 46 and 47 was an inadvertent typographical error, and clearly inconsistent with the fact that these claims depend from product claim 45.

Claim 50 proposed herein merely is a counterpart to claim 35 in limiting the process of claim 34 to the detection of non-glial tumor cells (claim 35 specifies the detection of glial tumor cells). A claim corresponding to claim 50 has consistently been presented in this application (see claim 4 as filed and claim 17 in the Amendment of December 21, 1979) but, inadvertently, was not carried through in the Amendment of June 30, 1980. Claim 50 clearly is supported in the application as filed (as evidenced by original claim 4) and is considered necessary in order to complete the definition of the scope of applicant's invention.

None of the changes introduced herein require any additional searching or consideration since the basic subject matter thereof was present throughout prosecution and no prior art ever was applied against any of the claims.

The errors and omissions in the Amendment of June 30, 1980 which are sought to be corrected hereby were not discovered until the application was reviewed by applicant and his counsel after receiving notification of the allowance of the claims.

No fee is required for the presentation of claim 50 in view of payments made in previous amendments for claims in excess of the seventeen (17) now proposed.

Entry of the amendments herein is respectfully requested.

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